Bates, Sarah Ann
Death: Sept. 29, 1995

□ Mrs. Sarah Ann Bates was born Nov. 6, 1904, in Sumrall and entered the portals of heaven on Sept. 29, 1995.

Mrs. Bates had been a resident of Ocean Springs for 55 years where she moved to from Hattiesburg.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Tom Bates; and four sons, Willie Lee Burnham, Luther Burnham, Brooks Burnham and Melvin Burnham; and a daughter, Ann Merlene Springle.

Survivors include her two daughters, Meda Lou Stokley and Thelma Kirby; a son, Reuben B. Burnham Jr.; a sister, Vera M. Davis of Hattiesburg; nineteen grandchildren and several great-grandchildren; and many nieces and nephews.

Visitation for Mrs. Bates will be Sunday from 6 to 10 p.m. for visitors at Bradford-O'Keefe Funeral Home in Ocean Springs. A service will be at 11 a.m. Monday morning at the funeral home. Burial will be in D'Iberville Memorial Park.